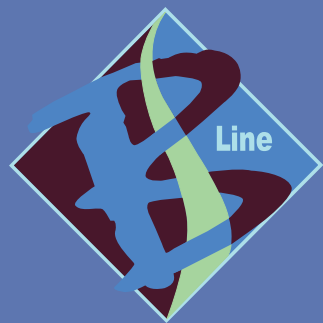


# BLOOMINGTON BANQUET

2009

Percentage for the Arts

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**ARTIST:** Dale Enochs

**MEDIUM:** Indiana Limestone, Steel and Anodized Aluminum

**DEDICATION YEAR:** 2009

## ABOUT THE WORK

The City of Bloomington is known for its wealth of arts that feed the soul. This sculpture references the basic human need for nourishment, both physical and cultural. Made primarily from Indiana limestone, the sculpture pays tribute to the site's history as the Showers Brothers Furniture Factory, along with its current status as home of the Farmers' Market and the annual Taste of Bloomington Festival. Upon close examination, the bowl in this sculpture can be recognized as an inverted replica of Bloomington's courthouse dome complete with Austin Seward's fish floating atop the steam. Carvings on the sculpture weave together images of walkers, bicyclists and animals who regularly visit the B-Line Trail. One chair of the sculpture is pulled back, an invitation to the viewer to take a place at Bloomington's banquet and join in the exchange of culture and experience.



Artist at work in his studio. Photo by Dan Uress



Artist's assistant at work in the studio.  
Photo by Dale Enochs

## DID YOU KNOW?

The fish boiling atop the bowl of this sculpture is an interpretation of Austin Seward's fish. Seward was a Bloomington blacksmith and in 1827, he made a weathervane for the Monroe County Courthouse that is still there today, making the fish a Bloomington tradition.

## ABOUT THE ARTIST

Dale Enochs has worked as an artist in Bloomington for more than 25 years. He completed a BFA at Indiana University, Fort Wayne in 1977 and went on to earn an MFA at the Bloomington campus in 1981. Enochs works primarily in limestone, often combining contrasting materials such as bronze, steel and copper. His work can be seen in public and private collections throughout the U.S. as well as in Japan and China. In addition to *Bloomington Banquet*, Dale's sculptures, *Axis* and *Phoenix*, can be seen in Miller-Showers Park and at City of Bloomington the Fire Station on South Fairfield Drive, respectively.

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